



SHANG-CHI is an Avenger, a former MI-6 agent, and the **MASTER OF KUNG FU**. But when his friend and former lover **LEIKO WU** is murdered while working undercover for MI-6 in London's Chinese mafia, Shang opts to put aside any quest for vengeance and simply mourn his loss. However, there are questions that no one seems to want answered, he's being watched by his old friends at MI-6, and assassins are coming out of the woodwork just because Shang has shown his face. Try as he might to follow the path of peace, if the truth must out, there may be no other option but to unleash the...



DEADLY HANDS OF KUNG FU



MR. WONG'S BAR.
LONDON.

THE SMELL OF YEAST, SPOILED
BEER AND SWEAT HANGS HEAVY
IN THE AIR. I FEEL EYES UPON
ME. FURTIVE GLANCES FROM
THE CORNERS OF THE ROOM.

THIS IS THE FIFTH
SUCH CRIMINAL BAR
I'VE VISITED TONIGHT.



WATER,
PLEASE.

DID
YOU SAY...
"WATER"?

PLEASE.



BE SURE TO
PACE YOURSELF
WITH THIS STUFF,
SLICK.



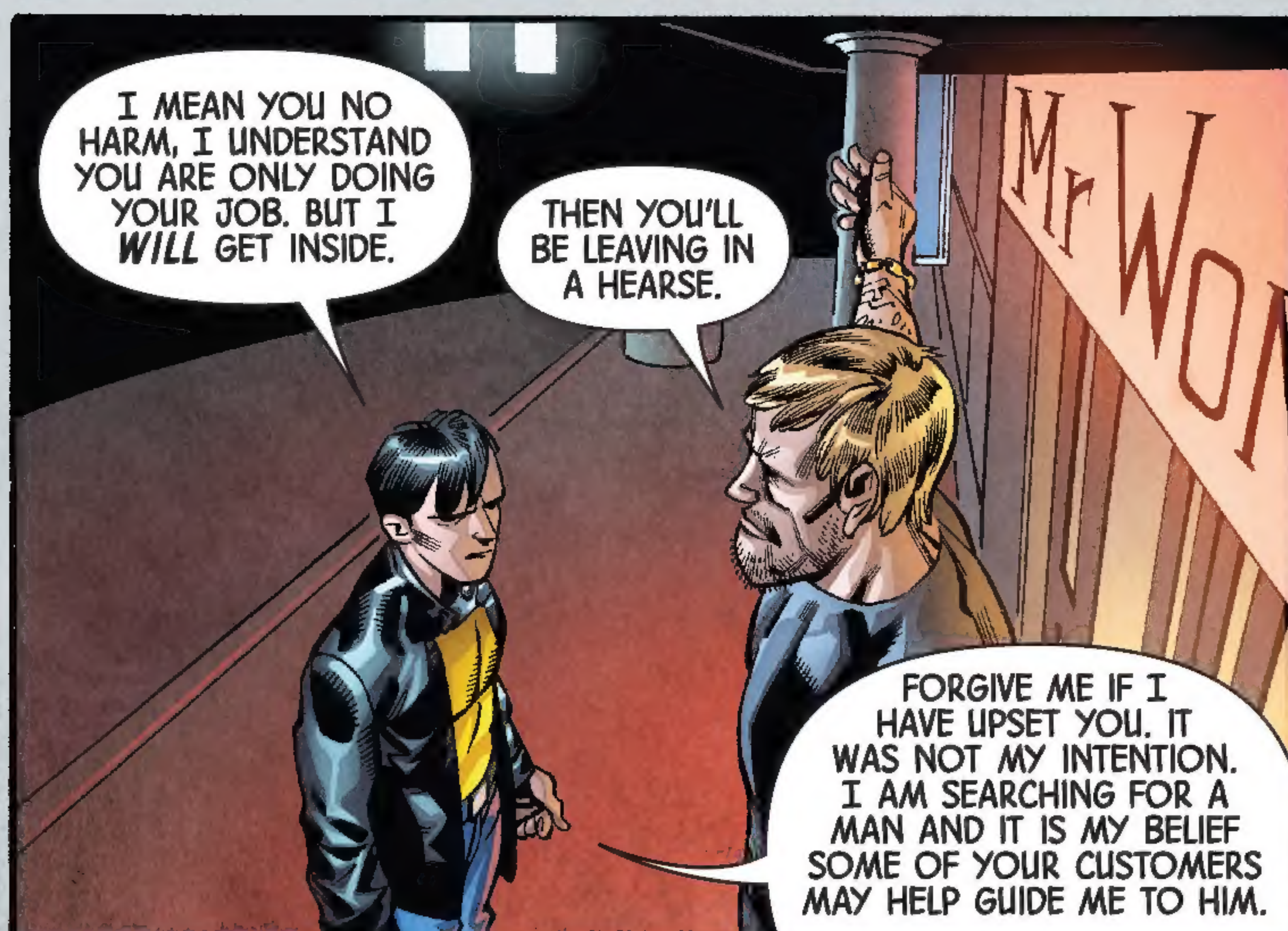
THE WATER TASTES FOUL.
AS TAINTED AND IMPURE
AS THE MEN IN THIS PLACE.



SIR, I AM
LOOKING FOR THIS MAN.
HE GOES BY THE NAME OF
WHITE DRAGON. HAVE YOU
SEEN HIM OR KNOW
WHERE I MAY
FIND HIM?

WHAT?! YOU
CRAZY? I NEVER
HEARD OF THIS
WHITE DRAGON. NOW
DRINK YOUR WATER
AND GET THE HELL
OUT OF HERE.





UNFORTUNATE
FOR HIM.

NO MORE WARNINGS



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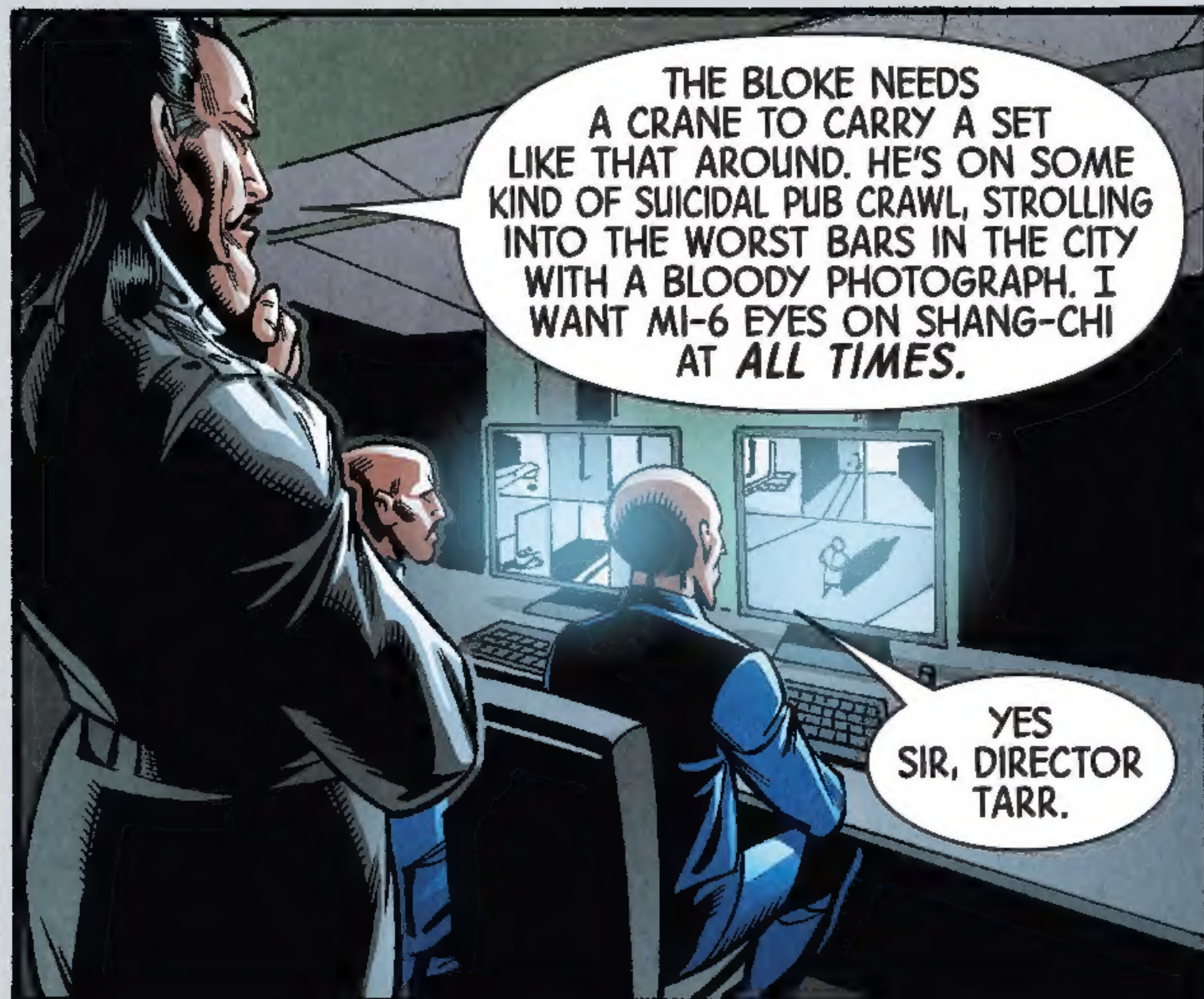
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NOT A GOOD NEIGHBORHOOD TO RUN OUT ON A BAR TAB, SHANG-CHI.



SKULL CRUSHER. LEADER OF ONE OF THE CRIMINAL CLANS. I APPEAR TO HAVE KICKED ENOUGH CRATES, THE RATS ARE STARTING TO COME OUT.



THE GREAT SHANG-CHI. IT HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE LAST MET. I HAVE COME TO TALK, NOT TO FIGHT.

AND WHAT IS IT YOU WISH TO TALK ABOUT?



LEIKO WU.

COME, LET US WALK.



A LOT HAS CHANGED SINCE WE LAST MET.

MY TIME IS PRECIOUS, SKULL CRUSHER. YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO TALK ABOUT LEIKO WU? TALK.



EXCUSE ME. CHAO SINA, IT IS A GREAT JOY TO SEE YOU! IF I HAD KNOWN YOU WERE IN THE AREA I WOULD HAVE ARRANGED FOR A TOUR. THE ORPHANAGE IS ALMOST COMPLETE.

SUCH SPLENDID NEWS, A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT TO BEHOLD! I SHALL SCHEDULE A TOUR WHEN IT IS COMPLETED.



YOU HAVE SOMETHING FOR US?

NOT TODAY, CHILDREN. ANOTHER TIME, PERHAPS.

PLEASSSSSSSEEE???



YAAAY!!!

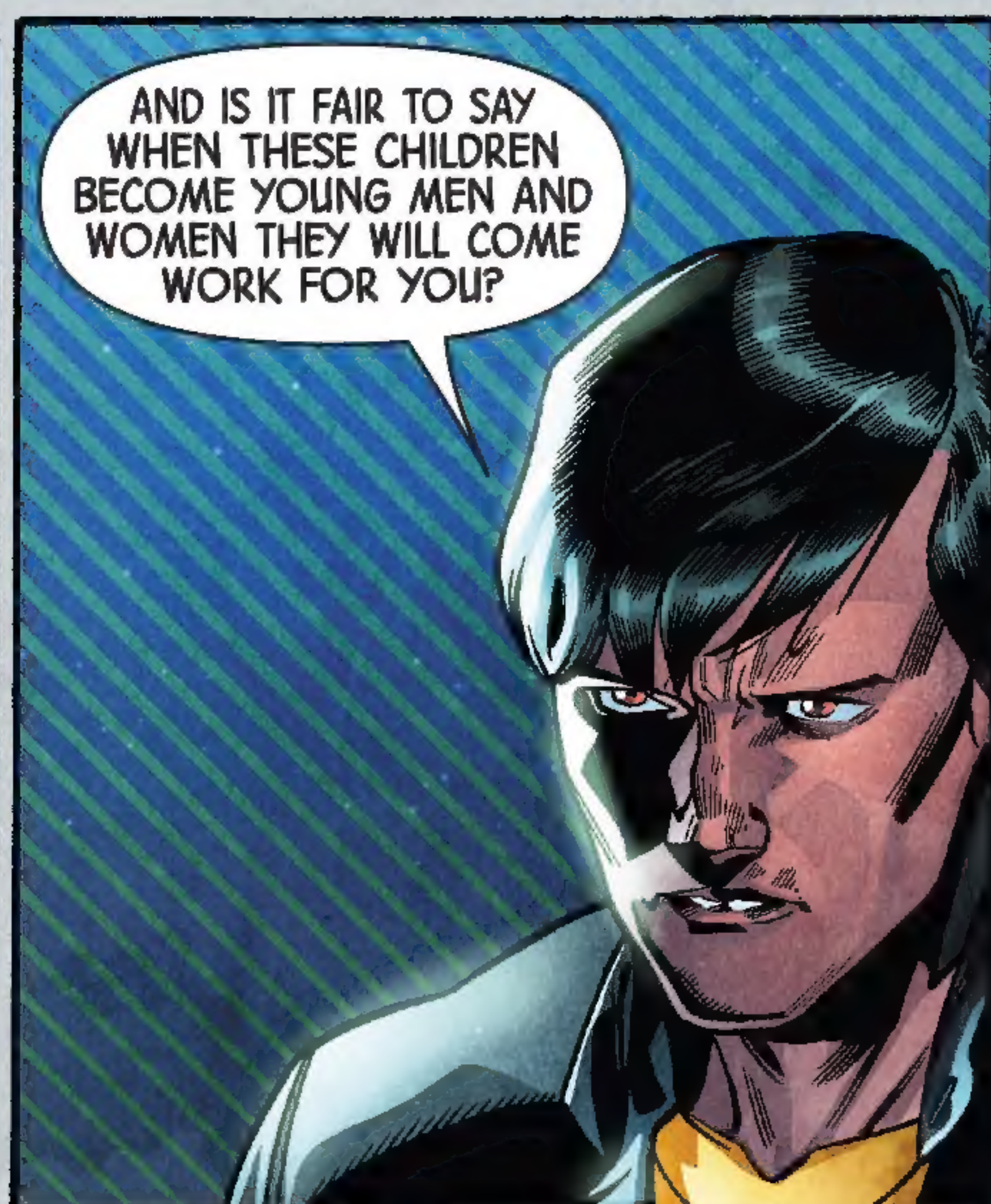
THINGS ARE NOT AS THEY ONCE WERE, SHANG-CHI. WE HAVE HISTORY AS ENEMIES, YOU CAN ONLY SEE ME AS SUCH. A VILLAIN. A MENACE TO SOCIETY.

BUT THESE PEOPLE, MY PEOPLE, THEY SEE ME FOR WHAT I REALLY AM.

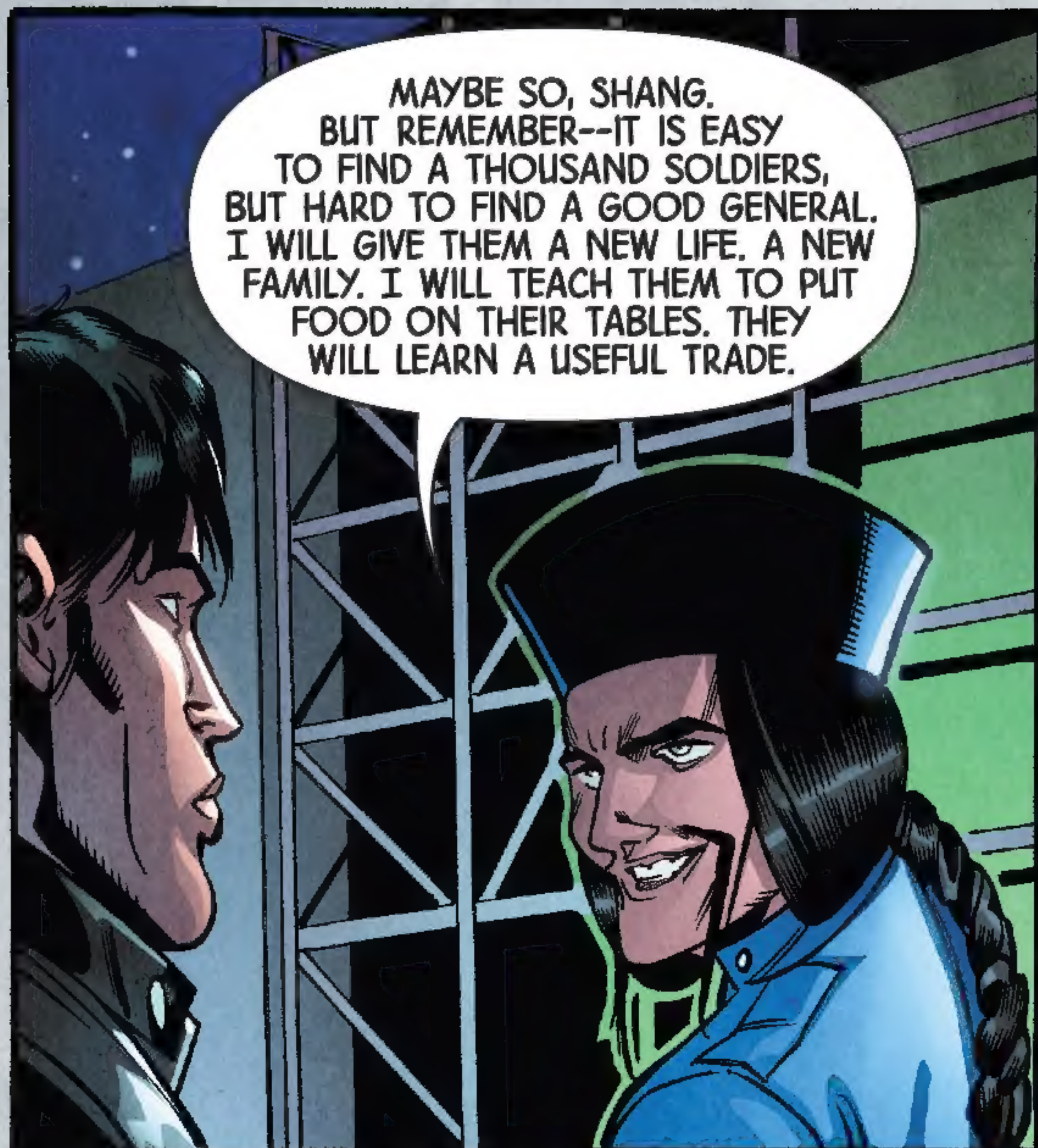


THAT BUILDING USED TO BE AN OPIUM DEN FOR DRUG ADDICTS. MY CLAN **TOOK IT**, RESTORED IT USING OUR OWN FUNDS.

TODAY THIS BUILDING IS USED TO HOUSE OVER THIRTY HOMELESS CHILDREN.



AND IS IT FAIR TO SAY WHEN THESE CHILDREN BECOME YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN THEY WILL COME WORK FOR YOU?



MAYBE SO, SHANG.
BUT REMEMBER--IT IS EASY
TO FIND A THOUSAND SOLDIERS,
BUT HARD TO FIND A GOOD GENERAL.
I WILL GIVE THEM A NEW LIFE. A NEW
FAMILY. I WILL TEACH THEM TO PUT
FOOD ON THEIR TABLES. THEY
WILL LEARN A USEFUL TRADE.



LEARNING
TO KILL IS **NOT**
A TRADE.

WE ALL CARRY AROUND
THE BURDEN OF OUR PAST. IT IS
A WEIGHT THAT WILL DRAG US DOWN
IF WE DON'T SET IT ASIDE. THINGS ARE
NOT HOW THEY WERE. TODAY I AM A
LEGITIMATE BUSINESSMAN. **MOSTLY.**
I HAVE AIDED MY PEOPLE IN
OVERCOMING IMMOVABLE
OBSTACLES.



TWO YEARS
AGO THIS RESTAURANT
WAS GOING UNDER.
ANOTHER CLAN WAS
EXTORTING MONEY
FROM ITS ELDERLY
OWNERS.

WE PUT
AN END TO THAT.
AS YOU CAN SEE--
TODAY THE
BUSINESS IS
THRIVING.



TWO
CHRYSANTHEMUM
TEAS WITH WOLFBERRY,
DEAR.

THE TAKEOUT
WINDOW WAS
MY IDEA. AND
CHRYSANTHEMUM
WAS HER
FAVORITE...



LEIKO.

I AM SURE
THIS WILL BE HARD
FOR YOU TO HEAR,
BUT LEIKO WU AND
I...WE WERE
LOVERS.



KEEP YOUR
TEA. I DO NOT
HAVE TIME TO
LISTEN TO *TALL*
TALES.

SHANG, STAY.
WHAT I HAVE
TO TELL YOU IS
IMPORTANT.



WHEN LEIKO CAME TO ME, SHE WAS AN
UNDERCOVER MI-6 OPERATIVE WORKING
TO INFILTRATE MY ORGANIZATION.
SOMETHING MANY HAVE TRIED.
ALL FAILED. ALL BUT HER.

PAPERS SHOWED
SHE DID JAIL TIME. THE
MEN WHO VOUCHED FOR
HER WERE CREDIBLE. LEIKO
PLAYED THE ROLE OF A
HARDENED CRIMINAL
SEAMLESSLY.

BUT WE HAD
TO BE *SURE*. WE
NEEDED A *FINAL* TEST,
ONE SHE COULD NOT
FAKE. ONE THAT WOULD
LEAVE BLOOD ON HER
HANDS FOR THE
REST OF HER
LIFE.



"SHE WAS ORDERED TO TAKE ON
FIVE OF THE WHITE DRAGON'S
SOLDIERS. WITHOUT BLINKING AN
EYE, SHE SLAUGHTERED THEM ALL.

"HER CUNNING, HER SKILL,
HER...*RUTHLESSNESS*. SHE
SURPRISED US THAT NIGHT.

"I BELIEVE SHE MAY
HAVE EVEN SURPRISED
HERSELF.

"AND SHE CONTINUED TO PROVE HER VALUE, WORKING HER WAY UP THE FOOD CHAIN. NOT ONLY COULD SHE FIGHT LIKE A WARRIOR, SHE WAS A MASTER THIEF."

"TO WATCH HER WORK WAS A THING OF BEAUTY."



"ADMIRATION AND RESPECT GREW INTO SOMETHING MORE. LOVE. WE SHARED EVERYTHING, SHE TOLD ME ALL HER SECRETS, EVEN HER WORKING FOR MI-6. SHE WAS LEAVING MI-6 FOR ME, WE WERE GOING TO CHANGE THINGS FOR THE BETTER...TOGETHER."



STOP! I'VE HEARD ENOUGH OF YOUR RIDICULOUS LIES! YOUR VULGARITIES HAVE DISTRACTED ME TOO LONG ALREADY.

SAYS THE MAN WHO ADMITS TO LEADING A GOOD WOMAN TO RUIN.

THAT ADDRESS... IT'S A BROTHEL RUN BY WHITE DRAGON. IT IS IN A HIGH-RISE TOWER IN THE BUSINESS DISTRICT. GO THERE, SEE HOW A TRUE VILLAIN TREATS PEOPLE.

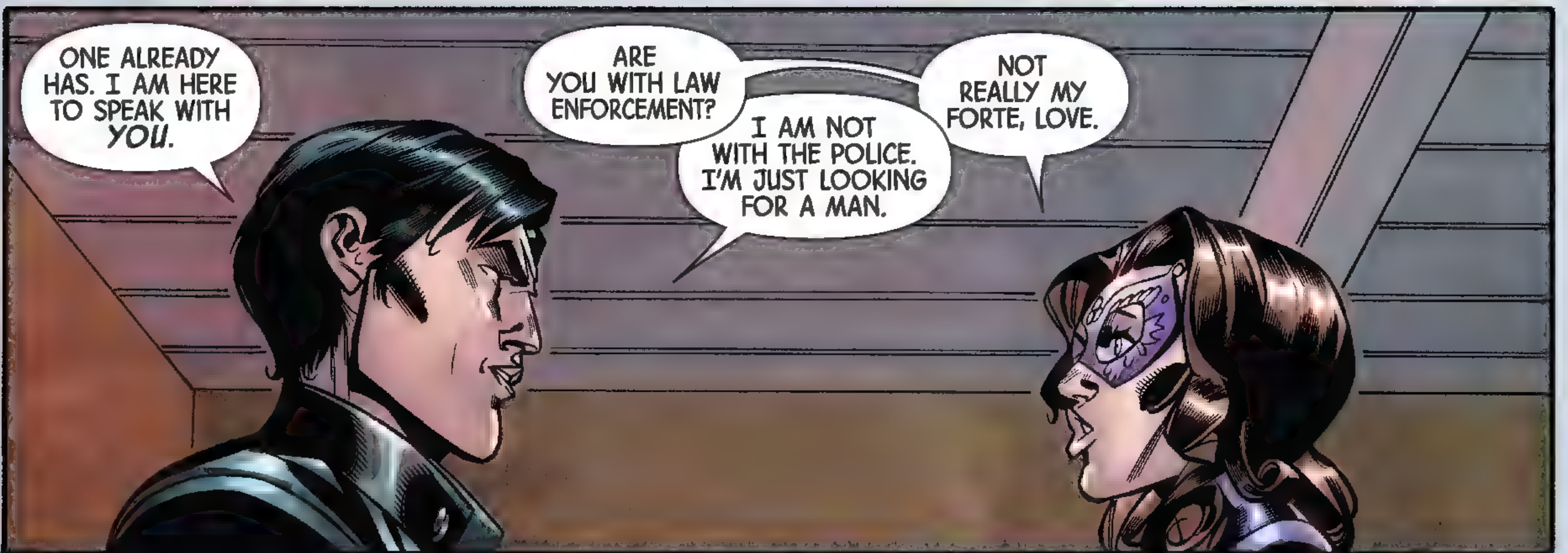
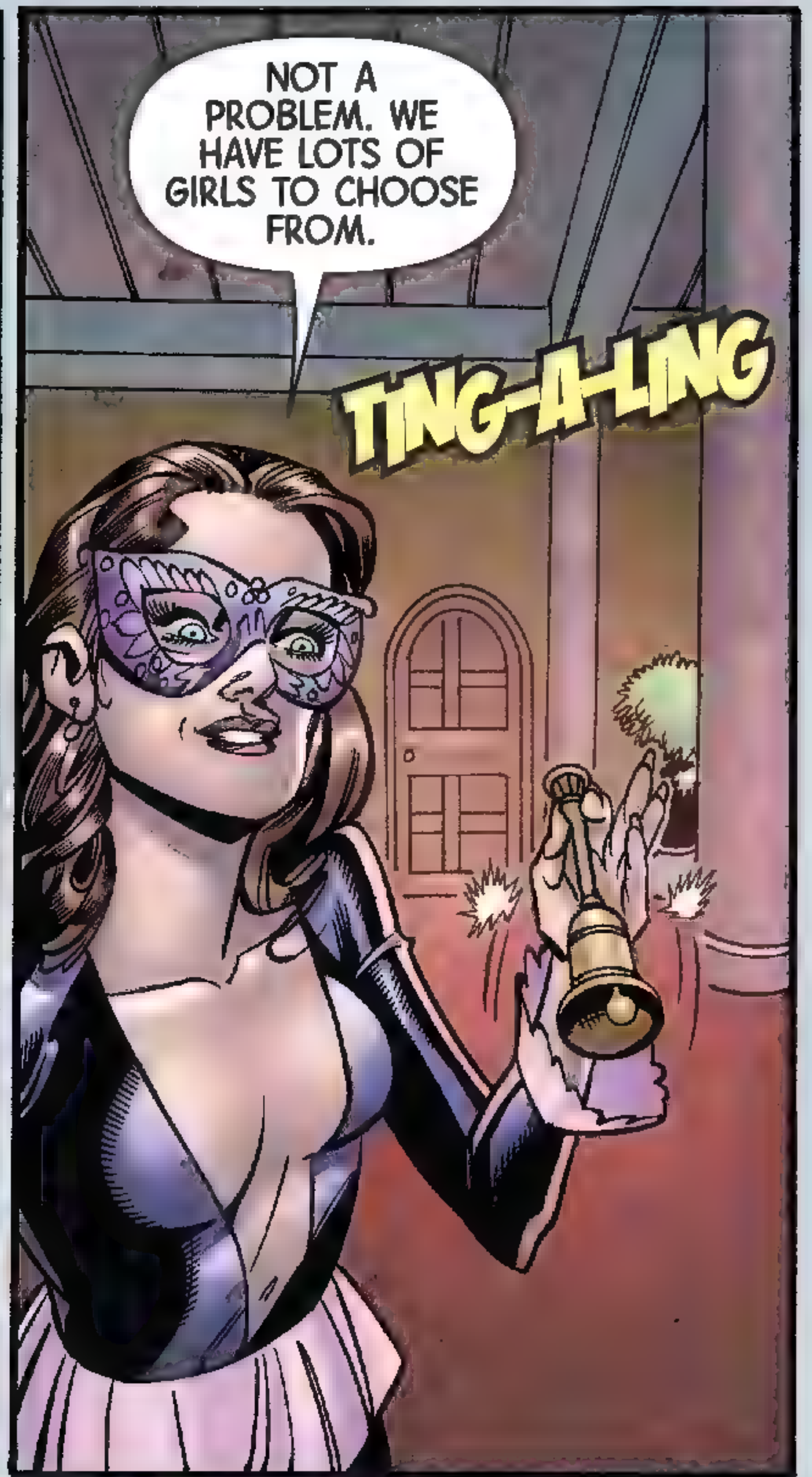


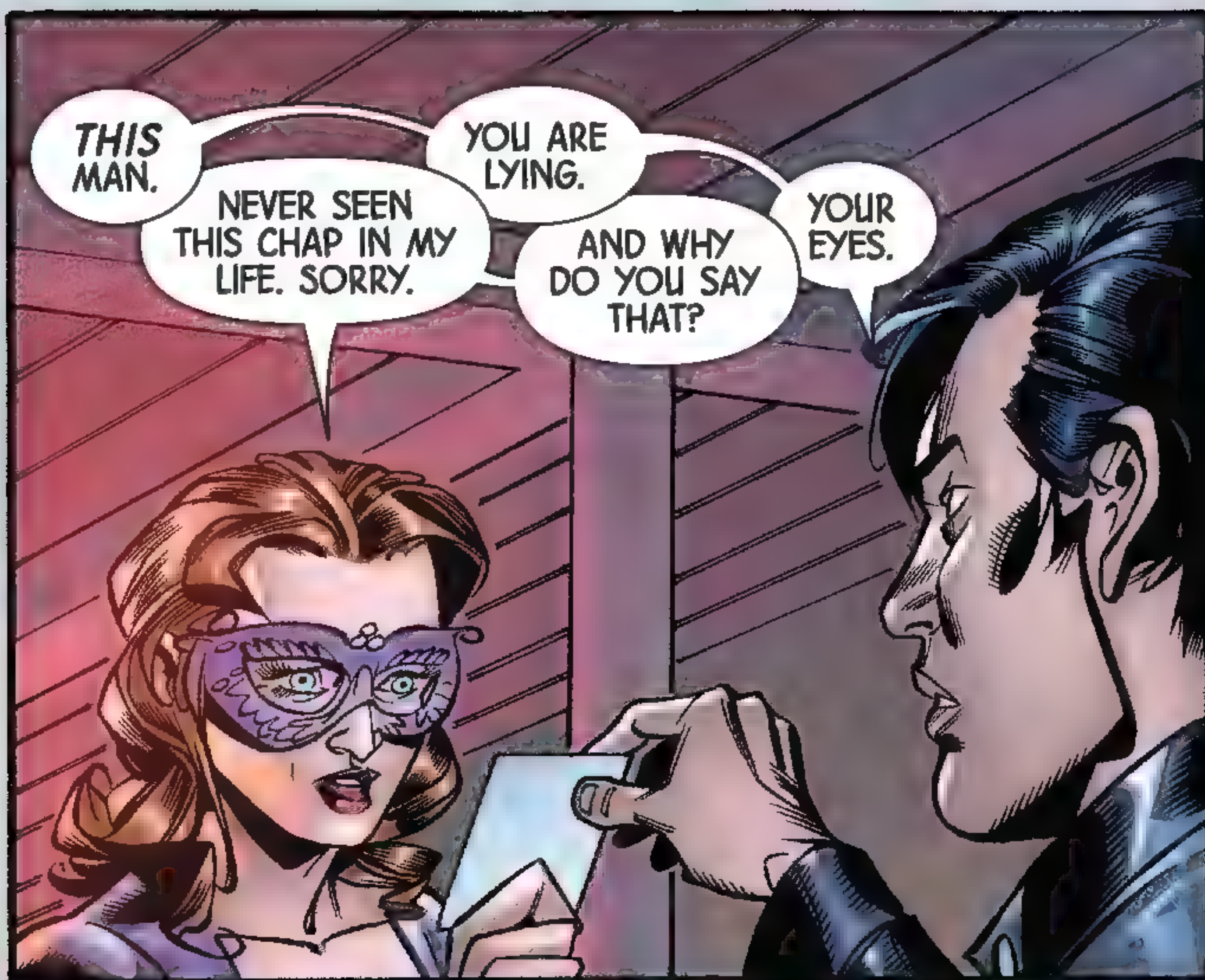
LEIKO WU WAS NOT THE WOMAN YOU THOUGHT YOU KNEW. SHE WAS SO MUCH MORE. WE HAD A SPIRITUAL CONNECTION, SHE SAW WHAT WAS GOOD IN ME.

AND LOOK WHERE THAT LEFT HER.

HUBRIS ISN'T ONLY FOR MOBSTERS AND VILLAINS, SHANG-CHI! LEIKO SAW THE BIG PICTURE, SHE KNEW THAT SHE NEEDED ME. AND MARK MY WORDS, BEFORE THIS IS ALL OVER...







THIS MAN.

NEVER SEEN THIS CHAP IN MY LIFE. SORRY.

YOU ARE LYING.

AND WHY DO YOU SAY THAT?

YOUR EYES.



I THINK IT'S BEST YOU LEAVE NOW, BEFORE YOU GET INTO TROUBLE.



CALL YOUR PEOPLE. TELL THEM SHANG-CHI IS HERE ASKING QUESTIONS. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE WHITE DRAGON. TELL THEM I WILL NOT LEAVE.

LISTEN, MISTER, I'VE GOT *MY* GIRLS TO THINK ABOUT. BRINGING AROUND THIS KIND OF TROUBLE--



SOMETHING TELLS ME THIS KIND OF TROUBLE IS HARDLY A RARITY. THEY DID THIS TO YOU?

LEAVE NOW--



I KNOW THE MAN WHO DID THIS TO YOU--RAZOR FIST, YES? HE IS AS SADISTIC AS THEY COME.

THIS WILL BE NOTHING COMPARED TO WHAT HE'LL DO TO ME FOR LETTING YOU IN HERE.



YOU WON'T HAVE TO BE AFRAID ANYMORE. I PROMISE.

MAKE THE CALL.

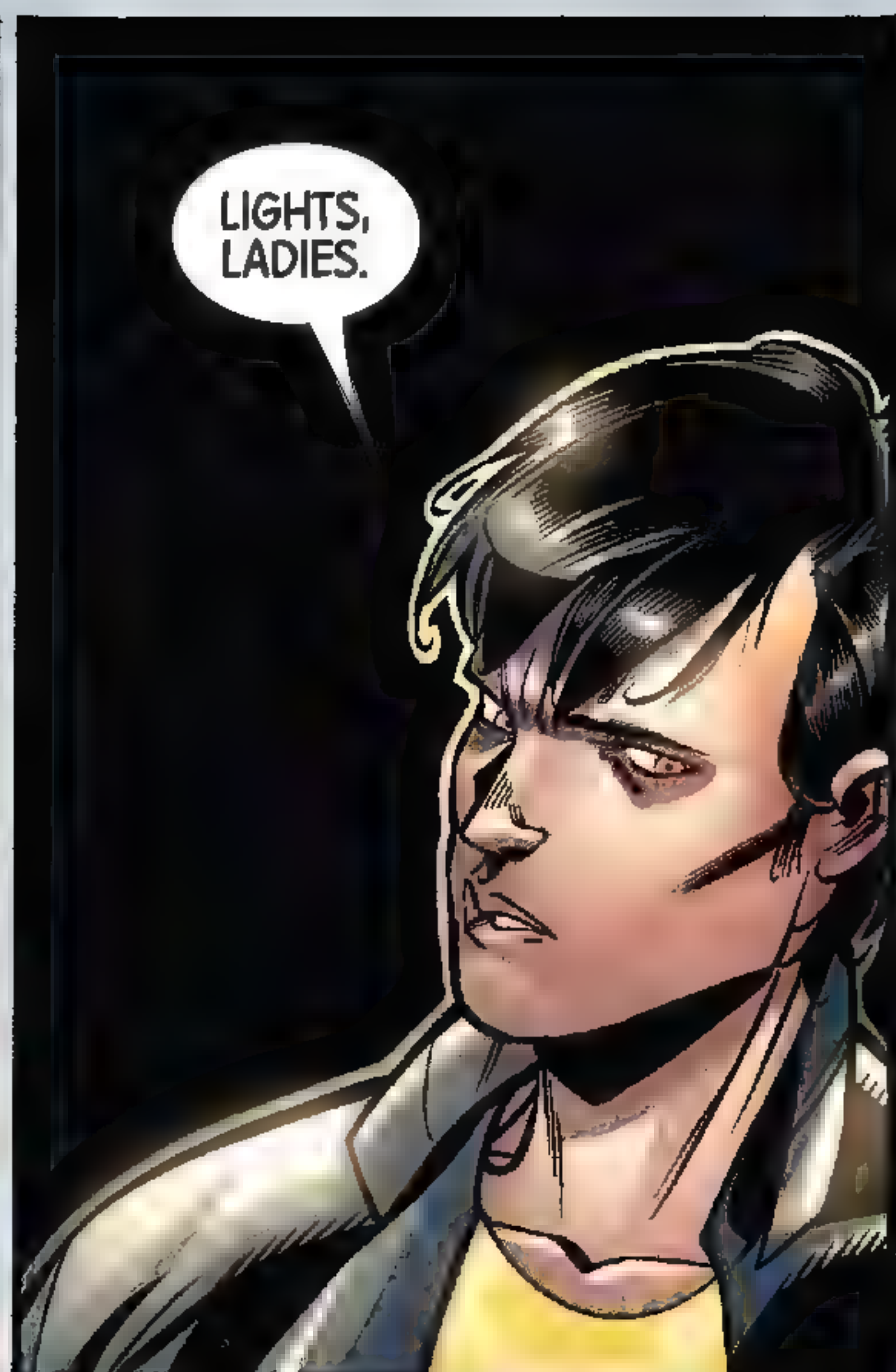


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WHERE IS THE WHITE DRAGON?

GO #&\$@ YOURSELF.



LIGHTS, LADIES.



I BELIEVE YOU GENTLEMAN ARE WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THESE UPSTANDING YOUNG WOMEN.



NOW TELL ME WHERE TO FIND WHITE DRAGON AND MAYBE I CAN CONVINCE THEM TO LEAVE YOU ALIVE.

P-PLEASE--I DON'T KNOW! WE NEVER MEET HIM IN PERSON. WE TAKE CARE OF THE GIRLS AND COLLECT THE MONEY. THAT'S IT.

THE WALL OF THE DEAD! I HAVE HEARD THE WHITE DRAGON CAN BE FOUND AT THE WALL OF THE DEAD AFTER HE AND HIS MEN CLOSE THE BARS. THAT'S ALL I KNOW, I SWEAR!

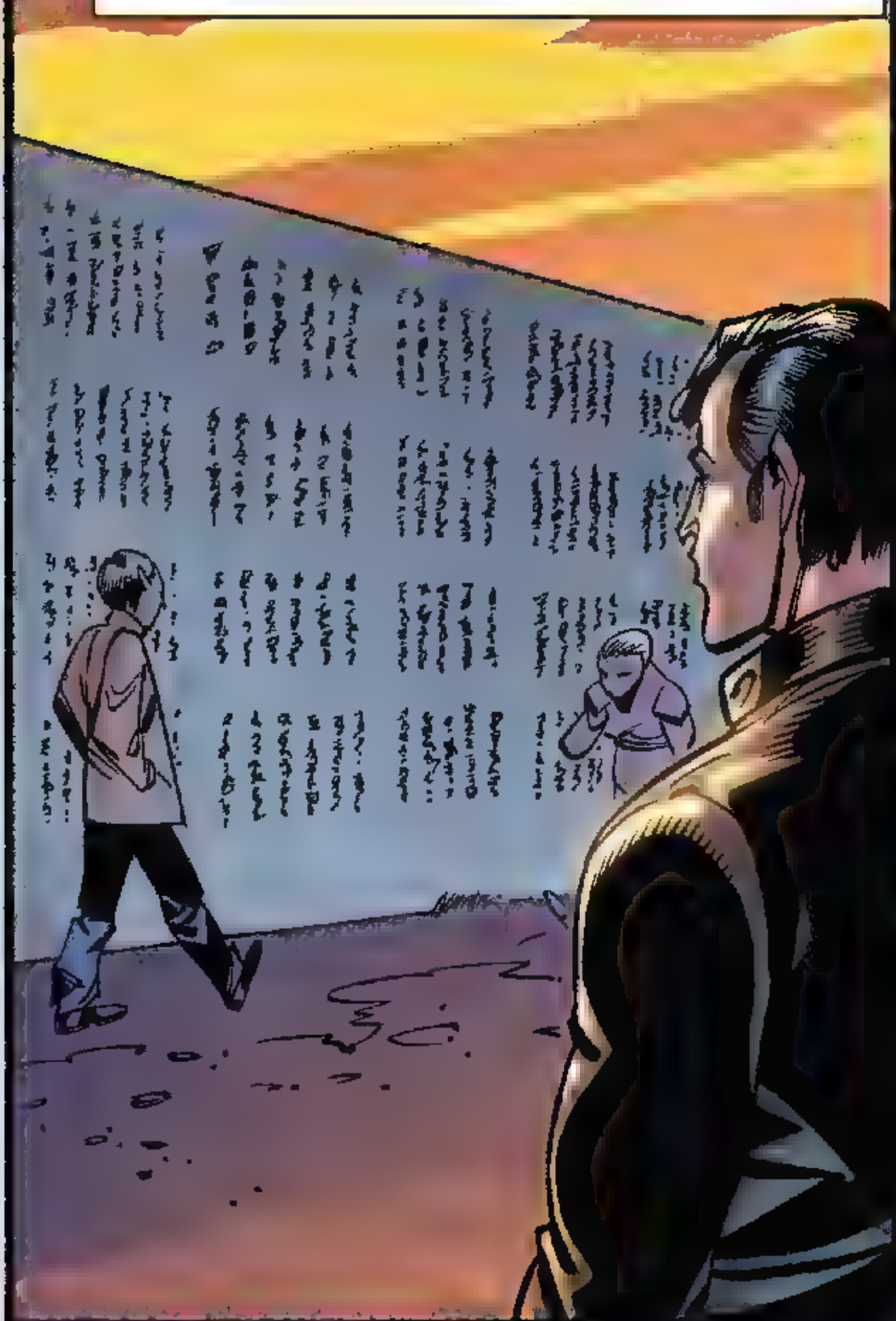


DON'T LET THE LADIES PLAY TOO ROUGH.

CALL THIS NUMBER, IT'S A DIRECT LINE TO AVENGERS TOWER. AS I PROMISED, NO MORE TROUBLE.

NOOOO! PLEASE! AHHHHH!

THE WALL OF THE DEAD--NAMES OF
WHITE DRAGON CLAN WARRIORS WHO
HAVE PASSED ON TO THE NEXT REALM.
I NEED TO QUIET MY MIND SO I
MAY HEAR MY ANCESTORS SPEAK.



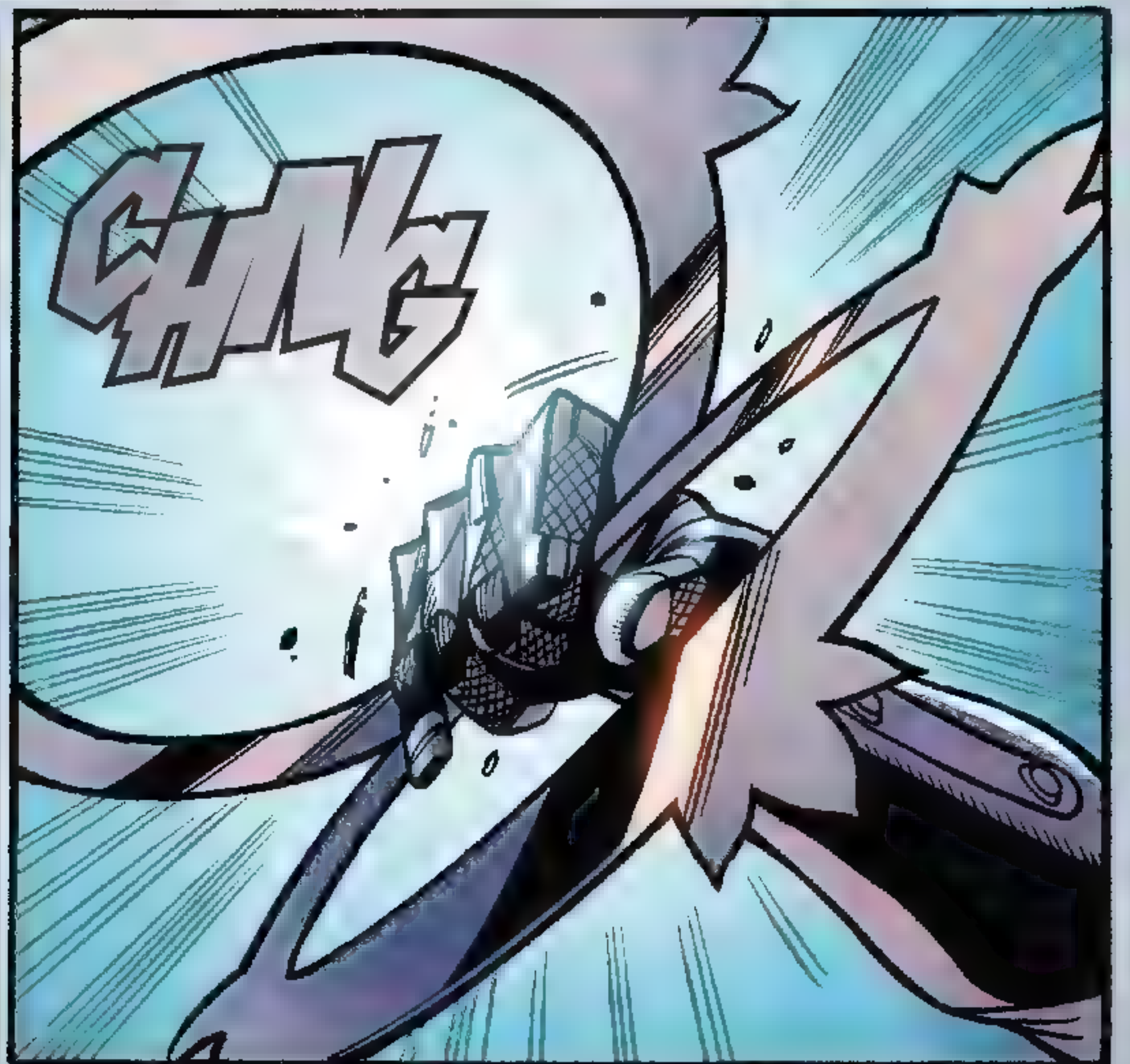
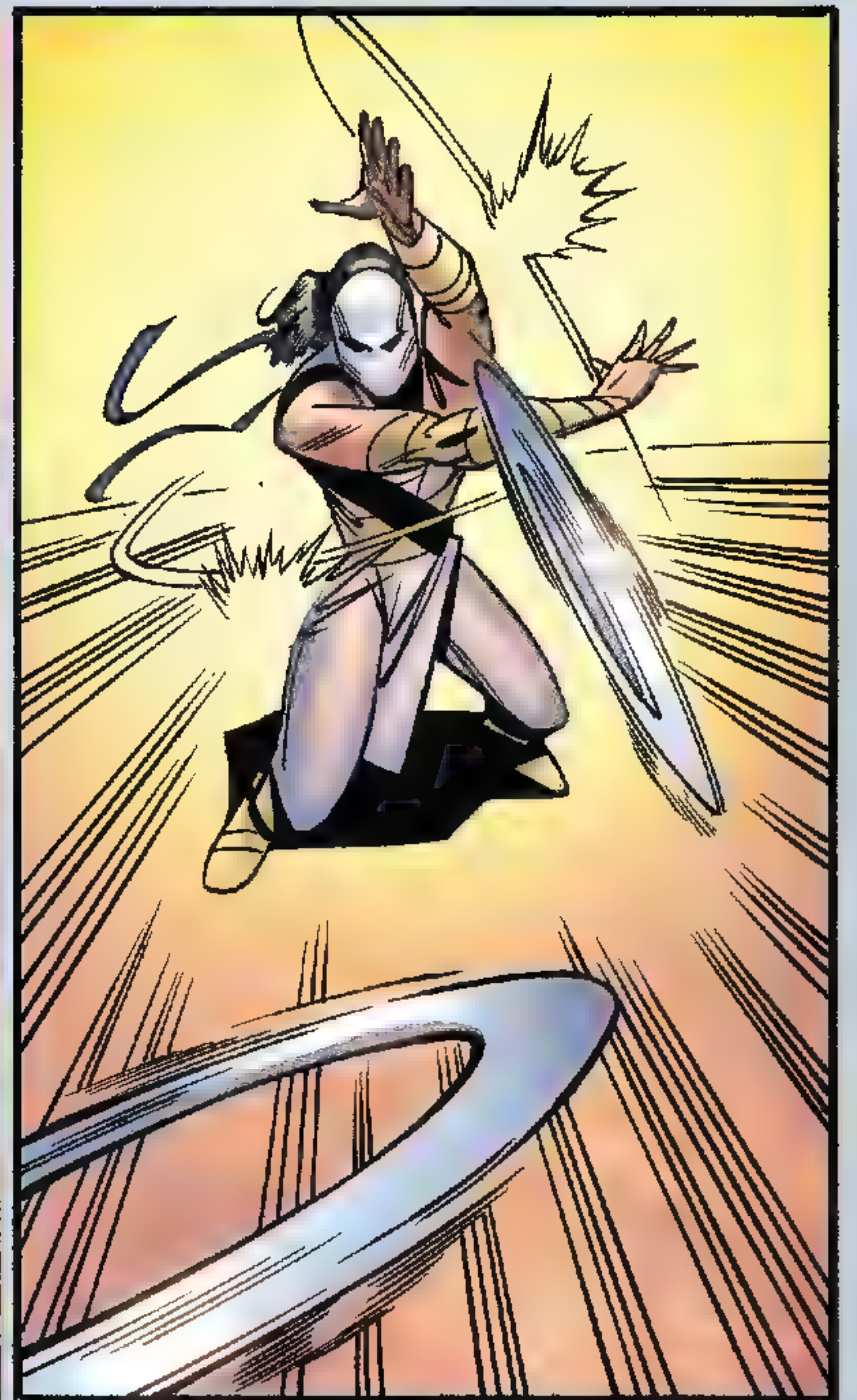
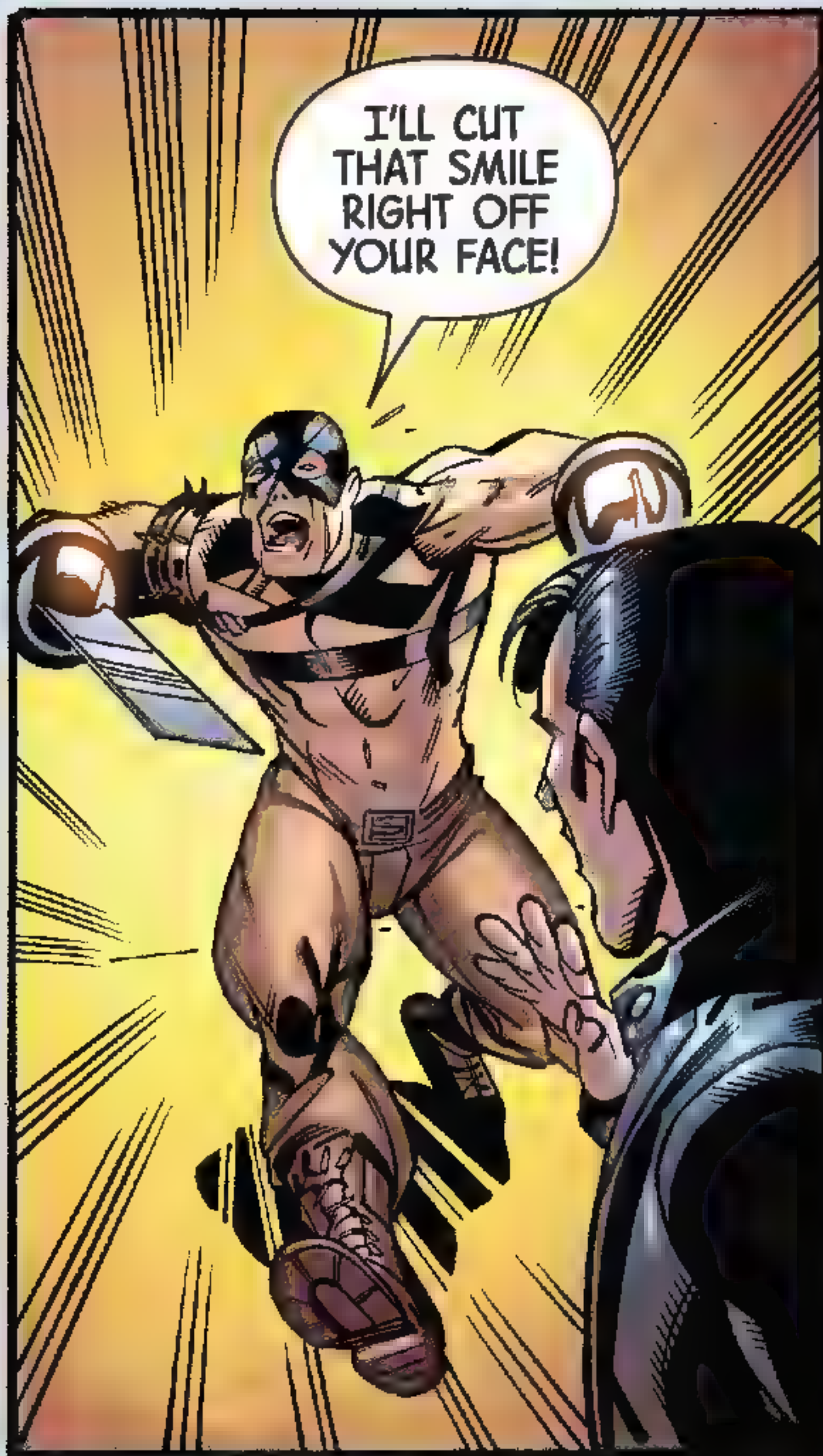
GO! GO!
YOU NO SIT
THERE!



I GO TO THE PLACE OF NO
MIND. THE TRUE WARRIOR
KNOWS WHEN TO RUSH OUT
TO FIND ANSWERS...



...AND WHEN TO
LET THE ANSWERS
COME TO HIM.







AND **LETHAL** IS EXACTLY WHAT I NEED NOW.

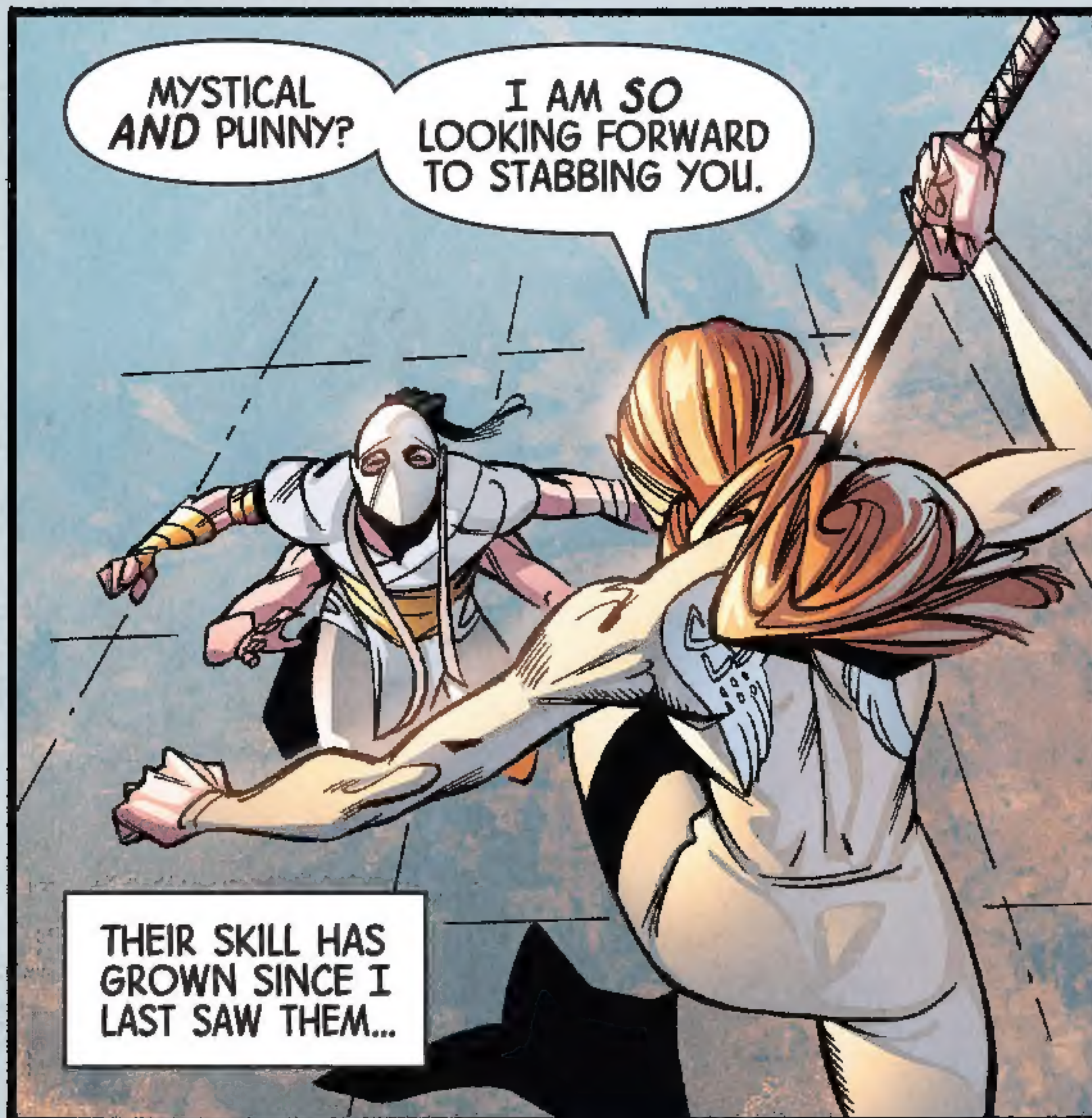
NOT SO TOUGH NOW THAT YOU'RE DISARMED OF YOUR LITTLE SPINNY WHEELS, ARE YOU?



DO I LOOK DISARMED?

SHRUK

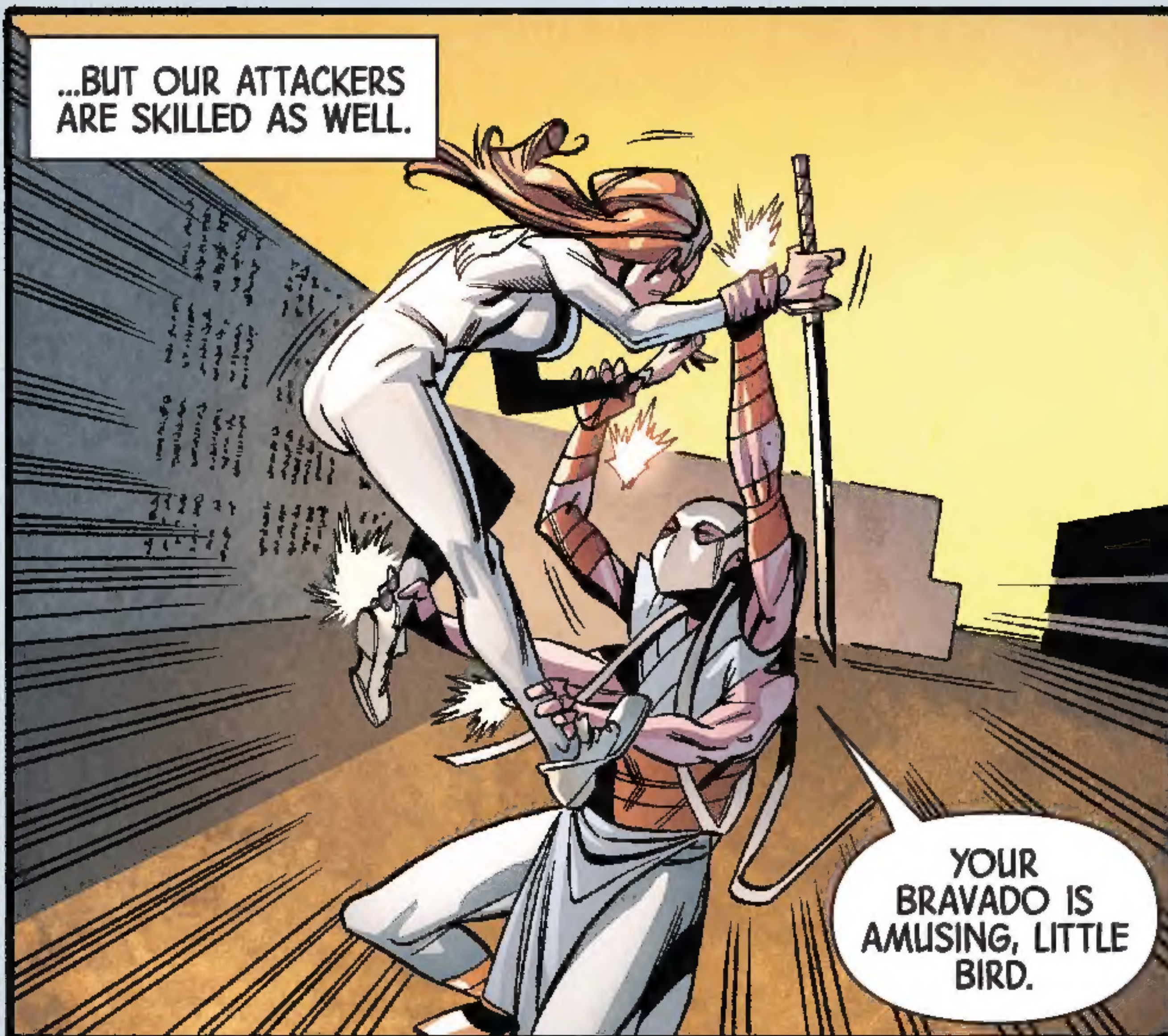
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MYSTICAL AND PUNNY?

I AM SO LOOKING FORWARD TO STABBING YOU.

THEIR SKILL HAS GROWN SINCE I LAST SAW THEM...



...BUT OUR ATTACKERS ARE SKILLED AS WELL.

YOUR BRAVADO IS AMUSING, LITTLE BIRD.



IT IS TIME TO MOVE FROM OBSERVER TO ACTIVE PARTICIPANT.



HOW'S YOUR EXTRA ARM FEELING NOW, TOUGH GUY?

RRAAARGH!





THAT TATTOO...IT SIGNIFIES
A FORM OF BLACK MAGIC
I THOUGHT ONLY EXISTED
IN CHILDREN'S STORIES.



MAO SHAN
PAI!



IT IS SAID BLACK MAGIC
LOSES SOME OF ITS POWER
WHEN IT IS NAMED OUT LOUD.

THEY CERTAINLY
SEEM WORRIED.



COME,
BROTHERS, WE
HAVE OTHER
PLACES TO BE.

UNTIL
NEXT WE MEET,
SHANG-CHI.



ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT?

I'M FINE. JUST PISSED I'LL HAVE
TO HEAR ONE OF STARK'S "DO
YOU KNOW HOW MUCH GOOD
CYBERNETICS COST?" RANTS.



THE GHOST'S
TATTOO, IT'S A RARE FORM
OF MAO SHAN MAGICS. THERE'S
ONLY ONE TEMPLE THAT PRACTICES
THIS BLACK MYSTICISM. SHOW THIS
SYMBOL TO MI-6, THEY WILL TELL
YOU WHERE TO GO. SEE WHAT
YOU CAN FIND.

WHAT ABOUT
OUR STAKEOUT? WE
WERE PICKING UP SOME
GOOD ACTION COMING
OUT OF WHITE
DRAGON'S CLUB.

I WILL GO.
THE SITUATION NEEDS
TO BE HANDLED MOST
DELICATELY.

